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 NOVELTY ANIMATED DEVICE )  
 WITH SYNCHRONISED AUDIO )  
 OUTPUT, AND METHOD FOR )  
 ACHIEVING SYNCHRONISED )  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

As a Preliminary Amendment to the attached Patent Application, please enter the  
 following amendments prior to computing the required filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16.

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**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claim 1-35 as follows:

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 1. (amended) A method for operating a novelty device having a lenticular image  
 selectively caused to move by a drive mechanism and associated sound generating means  
 both of which are controlled by electronics, the movement of said lenticular image  
 allowing the viewing of a plurality of discreet images consecutively which together make  
 up an animation sequence and the method allowing the novelty device to give the